## What is Claimed is:

- 1. A steering drive for an industrial truck, comprising a steered wheel which is rotatably supported about a horizontal axis in a bearing component wherein the bearing component is pivotally supported about a vertical axis and has a ring gear, and a steering motor which drives a pinion meshing with the ring gear, characterized in that the ring gear (18) or pinion has a circumferential groove (30) in which a ring-shaped absorbing member (32) of a resilient material is received so that the teeth of the pinion or ring gear get into engagement with the absorbing member.
  - 2. The steering drive as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the ring gear (10) or pinion is defined by two adjacent tooth lock washers (26, 28) which define the groove (30) in their contacting area.
  - 3. The steering drive as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the absorbing member (32) is defined by an O-ring.

20

5

10

15

25